DUTIABLE IMPORTS.

THEY COMPETE WITH THE PROD-UCTS OF AMERICAN LABOR.

Thus Every Yard of Cloth or Bale of Goods That Is Imported Deprives Our Workingmen of the Opportunity to Make a Corresponding Article.

That the free importation of articles which compete with our own productions deprives American workingmen of portunities for employment that rightfully belong to them is self evident. Every bale of goods, every yard of cloth that is imported displaces a corresponding article of American make, and consently displaces also the labor which ald have been employed here in makwould have been employed here in maxing that article. It is on this account
that we are opposed to the adoption of
the free trade policy, to which the "reformers" of the present congress are
committed. For under that policy a
premium would be placed on importation formers articles cheaver because tion, foreign articles—cheaper because made by degraded and pauperized work-ingmen—would displace our own, Amer-ican laborers would be idle, poverty would follow comfort, hard times would

Even now, with a protective tariff designed especially to guard against excessive importations, millions of dollars' worth of foreign goods are sent here ananally, goods which might just as well have been made at home. How many idle workingmen might have found employment at good wages if we had manufactured these articles ourselves? It is an injustice to the American laborer, who asks no favors but simply wants an opportunity to earn a living, surely not an exorbitant demand. We are eminded of this by a correspondent, who writes to us as follows:

"In 1891 we imported \$828,313,890 worth of foreign goods. What share of those imports could have been made by some labor? How many laborers would have been busy if we had manufactured all the competing articles instead of importing them? To put it in another way, How many home laborers were turned out of employment by the cheap foreign goods? I wish our people could be made to see more clearly that the man who votes for free trade votes himself

The value of our dutiable importswhich are those that could have been de by home labor-in 1891 was \$398,-87,121. To calculate how many persons would have found employment at pro-ducing these articles, had they been made at home, is not an easy task. A fairly accurate result has, however, been reached by taking several representative industries and calculating, from the figares given by the United States census of 1880, how many laborers it would have taken to make the products of those Industries which were imported. The following table will illustrate our meac-

	Imports 1801.	number persons.
Cilke	\$38,159,404	25,323
Woolen goods	34,010,543	18,319
Cotten manufactures	28,751,900	24,630
Iron and tin plate	25,900,305	45,001
Earthen and china ware	8,750,134	10,461
Glass and manufactures.	8,382,818	2,463
Gloves	5,871,313	6,122
Corseta	4,654,034	6,290
Paper		1,403
Musical instruments		5,133
Furs		*50,000
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Total \$156,321,546 204,554 Estimated to be employed in Europe. Now if the importation of \$158,921,546 Now if the importation of \$158,921,546 worth of foreign goods kept out of employment 204,554 persons, we are justiced in inferring that our total dutiable imports deprived of similar work in the United States 550,000 people. In the words of our correspondent, the cheap foreign goods kept 550,000 persons out of a job. But this is only the direct result. The employment of 550,000 people at good wages in this country would have caused an increased demand for all kinds of goods; more clothes, more all kinds of goods; more clothes, more shees, more agricultural products would have been consumed, and consequently more labor would have been needed to produce these articles. It is safe to say that at least once again as many persons would have found employment at making the articles consumed by these 550, 000 people; so that directly and indimetly 1,000,000 laborers were kept out of work last year by the "cheap foreign

goods." Surely, then, this is no time to be thinking of free trade. Our efforts should be directed not to relaxing our present tariff, but to making it more etective. Beneficial as have been the effects of that tariff, it has not been perfeet as the volume of our competing imports shows. For only when every dollar's worth of goods consumed in this country which can be made by Amerlean workingmen is so made, will the full benefits of our protective policy have been attained.

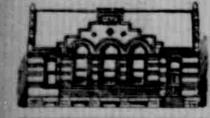
PLAN FOR SWIMMING POOL.

Brary Large Town Should Have One-A Profitable Investment. [Copyright, 1887, by American Press Associa-

In many cities of Great Britain we find well constructed swimming pools. Without making an absolute copy of any which I have seen there. I have arranged a pian of one suitable for construction in an American city. At the same time I have drawn my dotails from what I have seen

Reery large sized town could support a swimming pool of this general character. A badly arranged, shabbily constructed swimming pool will fall under any cir. entistances. One well constructed, properly planned will succeed even in a moderate sized town. Until within a few years ming baths were a failure in Glas-

They were constructed in a shortsighted way, were cheap and bedly contrived. These who invested capital therein were afraid to go far anough in their expenditures tomake a structure worthy of patronage, and the result was that they built something not worthy of patronage, and naturally enough they became bankrupt.



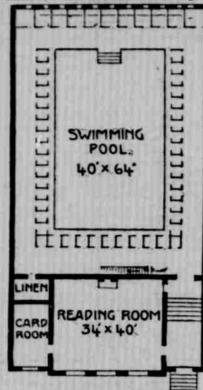
The city of Glasgow task up the matter and built swimming pools properly. The result is that while there is only a minimum charge for their use they have paid well on the investment, and instead

or come in the nature of a charity they

in the plan here given there is, first, a reading room at one side of the entrance. In it is a grate, and at one corner an opening into the hall, where may be placed a manager's dest. He can deal out towels to those passing into the poolroom through the entrance, and without their coming into the room. This reading room is a place where people can sit and read for a little time, either before or after taking a bath, or both. Off from the reading room is a cardroom.

The poolroom itself must beer evidence every hour in the day of being perfectly and absolutely clean. The impression must be created the minute one enters the must be created the minute one enters the room, and all practical experience must justify and sustain that impression. All this is largely a matter of construction, though attention and executive ability will have a good deal to do with it. However, if a poolroom be not properly constructed it is not possible to keep it clean. The floor should be of white tile, and to a height of 6 feet above the floor the walls should be ined either with white enameled tiling or white enameled brick. The latter is preferable.

Above the brick or tiling yellow brick may be used. The pool itself should be lined with enameled tiling. The dressing mahinets, which are shown as being ar-



PLAN OF INTERIOR. ranged around the pool, should be of oak, though without floor. They should rest on brass standards at the corners. This on brass standards at the corners. This would place the woodwork 4 inches clear from the tiling. On the tiling itself in each room might be placed a small mat if so desired. By this plan none of the wood partitions or other parts of the cabinet would come directly in contact with the floor, and the entire floor and wall surface of the pool can be slushed with water as desired. There should be a little gutter around the side of the pool so that none of the scrub or drip water can run into the pool scrub or drip water can run into the pool

As shown by the plan, one passes into the cabinet from the hallway through one door and through another to the pool itself. This is a much better arrangement than having a dressing room arranged around the walls or in another part of the

around the walls or in another part of the building, as is sometimes the case.

The pools in Glasgow are 3 ft. 8 in. at one end and slant to a depth of 6 ft. 4 in. at the other. With the white tile lining for the pool one can readily understand that the water must be kept clean at all times. Seeing it bright and clean invites confidence. In this plan steps are shown going down to the poolroom from the vestibule. This is done so as to bring the level of the general poolroom floor with the street grade, so that the pool can be cut down into the earth and thus save expense of high cost of construction in supporting the weight of so much water by masonry. the weight of so much water by masonry. In the plan given the aides and bottom of the pool can be formed with concrete and then lined with the tiling.

then lined with the tiling.

Private bathrooms are shown at the extreme end of the building. At the front end of the room is shown a stairway. It goes to a gallery over the dressing cabinets and bathrooms only and leaves a clear space on each side. This gallery is for a running track under ordinary circumstances, though it may be used to accommodate a small number of people during an exhibition in the pool. The poolroom is largely lighted from above, it being assumed that a structure of this kind would pay better in a more thickly populated part of the town where ground is higher. Hence no side lights could be used. By confining the running track to the roof of the cabinet it would not darken the lower part of the room.

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